these medicines and to remove their side effects?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) The studies carried out by Beston University have ruled out any adverse effect on Analgin as compared to other pain killer drug. The drugs Technical Advisory Board, a statutory body under the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, have examined these studies in detail and opined against benning Analgin.

Analgin is a drug to be dispensed against the prescription of 3 Registered Medical Practitioner. The possible adverse reactions of the drug arc highlighted in the package-insert.

Proposal to increase age of Superannuation of Professors in Medical Colleges

7734. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is proposal from Medical Council of India to increase the superannuation age of Professors in Medical Colleges to 62 years;

(b) whether Government are aware that there is a shortage of experienced Professors to teach in Medical Colleges; and

(c) if so, whether Government would take an early decision on the recommendations of the Medical Council of India, to enhance the superannuation age to 62 years?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) The Medical Council of India had proposed that extension or reemployment be given to medical teachers up to the age of 65 years to enable colleges to overcome shortage of teachers particularly in certain pre and para-clinical subject. The Council has been informed that the age of retirement has to be determined by the concerned employers keeping in view their respective organisation needs.

Spread of Gastroenteritis in the Country

7735. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that with the onset of summer the dreaded gastroenteritis has spread in empidemic form in various parts of the country ailingmany persons particularly the children;

(b) if so, what are the States and Union territory-wise details thereof; and

(c) what action Government have taken to prevent the spread of this disease and contain it in the affected parts of the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Report regarding outbreak of Gastroenteritis during the present summer season have been received from some parts of the country.

(b) Detailed State/UT wise information is not available.

(c) The measures normally taken by the health authorities to check these disease are:

1. Provision of safe drinking water.
2. Improvement of food and personal hygiene.
3. Safe disposal of human excreta, garbage, refuse etc.
4. Appropriate Health Education.
5. Surveillance and continuous monitoring.
6. Distribution of chlorine tablets and ORS packets etc.